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Level 4

72-year-old woman gives birth

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Please try Levels 5 and 6. They are (a little) harder.

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THE READING

From <http://www.breakingnewsenglish.com/1605/160515-childbirth-4.html>

A 72-year-old woman in India has given birth. Daljinder Kaur was photographed last week proudly holding her healthy baby boy. She had tried to have a baby for decades. She was under pressure from her family. Most people would have accepted their fate that they would be childless, but Daljinder continued with her dream. She started going to a fertility clinic for IVF treatment in 2013. She became pregnant for the first time in her life last year.

Doctors initially did not want to treat Daljinder because of her age. One doctor said: "I first tried to avoid the case because she was very weak and frail, but her medical reports [showed] she was fit to conceive." His clinic had a good record with older women. He spoke to a cardiologist to get clearance for the treatment. Daljinder also had many tests. She told reporters: "I can live happily now. My life is complete." She is the oldest woman ever to give birth.

Sources: <http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/world-news/couple-seventies-show-first-baby-7947292>
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PHRASE MATCHING

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PARAGRAPH ONE:

- | | |
|--|---------------------|
| 1. given | a. baby boy |
| 2. Kaur was photographed | b. pregnant |
| 3. proudly holding her healthy | c. pressure |
| 4. She had tried to have a | d. time in her life |
| 5. She was under | e. birth |
| 6. going to a fertility clinic for IVF | f. baby for decades |
| 7. She became | g. treatment |
| 8. the first | h. last week |

PARAGRAPH TWO:

- | | |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. Doctors initially did | a. now |
| 2. she was very weak | b. cardiologist |
| 3. she was fit to | c. complete |
| 4. He spoke to a | d. and frail |
| 5. get clearance for | e. ever to give birth |
| 6. I can live happily | f. not want to treat her |
| 7. My life is | g. the treatment |
| 8. She is the oldest woman | h. conceive |

LISTEN AND FILL IN THE GAPS

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A 72-year-old woman in India (1) _____. Daljinder Kaur was photographed last (2) _____ her healthy baby boy. She had tried to have a (3) _____. She was under pressure from her family. Most people would have accepted (4) _____ they would be childless, but Daljinder continued with her dream. She started going to (5) _____ for IVF treatment in 2013. She became pregnant for the (6) _____ life last year.

Doctors initially did (7) _____ Daljinder because of her age. One doctor said: "I first (8) _____ the case because she was very weak and frail, but (9) _____ [showed] she was fit to conceive." His clinic had (10) _____ with older women. He spoke to a cardiologist to (11) _____ the treatment. Daljinder also had many tests. She told reporters: "I can live happily now. My life is complete." She is the oldest woman (12) _____.

PUT A SLASH (/) WHERE THE SPACES ARE

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CHILDBIRTH SURVEY

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Write five GOOD questions about childbirth in the table. Do this in pairs. Each student must write the questions on his / her own paper. When you have finished, interview other students. Write down their answers.

	STUDENT 1 _____	STUDENT 2 _____	STUDENT 3 _____
Q.1.			
Q.2.			
Q.3.			
Q.4.			
Q.5.			

- Now return to your original partner and share and talk about what you found out. Change partners often.
- Make mini-presentations to other groups on your findings.

WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student A: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

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WRITE QUESTIONS & ASK YOUR PARTNER(S)

Student B: Do not show these to your speaking partner(s).

a) _____

b) _____

c) _____

d) _____

e) _____

f) _____

